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Dear Colleagues, Faculty and Prospective Intern Applicants:

The U.S. Meat Animal Research Center (USMARC), located in Clay Center, Nebraska, will be sponsoring the 2013 Summer Research Internship Program for undergraduate students. As the Director of the USMARC, I continue to explore opportunities to strengthen ties between scientists at USMARC and faculty, staff, and students at various colleges and universities throughout the Country. I believe that developing a program at the undergraduate level is one such opportunity.

Below is a link to the USMARC Homepage with information about our Program and the application process, along with the timeline for submission of applications.

[http://www.ars.usda.gov/main/site\\_main.htm?modecode=54-38-00-00](http://www.ars.usda.gov/main/site_main.htm?modecode=54-38-00-00)

We have projects representing our research units: Genetics, Breeding, and Animal Health; Environmental Management; Meat Safety and Quality; Nutrition; and Reproduction. An application form, along with a list of supporting documents, can be found on this link for students to use in applying to the Program. Application packages must be postmarked by February 1, 2013. Student intern selections and offers will be made by March 1, 2013.

The teaching component of my previous academic career was enjoyable. Therefore, I look forward to an opportunity to interact with the students and provide them with an outstanding research experience here at the USMARC. I thank you in advance for your interest and for making our program known to others.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E. John Pollak". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

E. JOHN POLLAK  
Center Director, USMARC

